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1. As of December 1952, Professor Dr. R. Seeliger¹ was director of the Greifswald University Institute of Physics. Seeliger was assisted in the direction of the Institute by Dr. Wulfheckel,² a scientist of forty-five, who was working on problems of gas discharge physics with negative ions (oxygen and chlorine).
2. Professor Schallreuter,³ a full professor of experimental physics, was administrator of the Institute. From 1932 to 1939, Schallreuter was employed in the electrotechnical industry in England and published several manuscripts on the industry. For the past six years, his work in lecturing and administration at Greifswald University has kept him from publishing new findings in experimental physics.
3. Dr. Knehlmer, assistant to Seeliger, became director of a research laboratory in Rudolstadt in the autumn of 1952. Dr. Theiss, former assistant to Seeliger, fled to West Germany in January 1953. He was accompanied by his wife, a physician in the Greifswald University hospital.
4. Dr. Seeliger is also director of the Institute for Gaseous Discharge of the German Academy of Sciences. From that Institute, Seeliger can obtain sufficient funds for research and has never requested funds from ZAFT for his Physics Institute. Seeliger declined an offer made by the State Secretariat to enlarge his Institute. As a result, the work of Professor Schallreuter has been considerably hampered, since he is in need of more working space. Seeliger's deputy at the Academy Institute was Dr. Pupke,⁴ a physicist working on gas discharge under high pressures. He was considered by his associates as a good physicist with inclinations toward theoretical physics.

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- 25X1 3. Probably identical with Prof. Dr. phil. Walter Schallreuther, [REDACTED]
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- 25X1 4. Probably identical with Dr. phil. Herbert Pupke, a lecturer for elementary processes in gases [REDACTED]
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